

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Louis K. Scheffer

Serial No.: 10/660,986

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For: AUTOMATIC INSERTION OF CLOCKED ELEMENTS INTO AN ELECTRONIC DESIGN TO

IMPROVE SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

Confirmation No.: 6083

Group Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Vuthe Siek

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on April 17, 2006, please amend this application in accordance with the following amendment sheets.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 8.